

OUR DEAD.

Sister Barbara Keim, wife of brother Lewis Keim, died at Meyersdale Oct. 10, 1887. For several years brother and sister Keim lived at Homerville, Neb., when brother Nicholson organized a church the past year. On account of ill health, sister Keim was deprived of sanctuary privileges for some time, though among God's children, I have found none who enjoy religious services more than she did. While at Homerville, brother Nicholson held a love feast at the home of Sister Keim—the last communion she enjoyed.

About three months ago she came to Meyersdale, and made her home with her sister at brother McKinley's, where she was well cared for. All that medical skill could do was done by Dr. McKinley and her brother Dr. Beachly. During her sickness, I visited her frequently, and though she suffered much, yet with a calm, patient, submissive spirit, and Christian resignation such as belongs only to the children of God, she endured it all.

She took her final leave on Oct. 10th. Funeral services in the brethren church by the writer. Her desire was to get well, not because she was not prepared to die, but that she might live for Jesus, her Savior, and do more for him who had done so much for her. "The Lord's will be done," was her desire. Age 63 years, 3 months, 24 days. May the Lord bless her surviving companion.

A. D. GNAGY.

Weapons of the Persians.

Of weapons the Persian is very fond and proud, although he hardly ever uses them, for, as I pointed before, personal bravery is not one of his leading traits. Ancient weapons, made by the armorers and engravers of old, are highly prized, and fabulous sums are often paid for them. The art of making fine weapons has been lost in Persia, and what really fine specimens now exist, date back at least several hundreds of years. They are imitated, of course, especially in Ispahan; but comparison at once shows their spurious nature. For old guns with long stocks, chased, engraved, and embellished with small gold and silver and mother of pearl plates, made of Damascus steel, three hundred to seven hundred *tom au four* hundred and fifty dollars to ten hundred and fifty dollars are sometimes paid. The *shenisheer* (straight sword or scimeter) is likewise often artistically shaped and finished, and the same is true of the *kaemeh* (broad Circassian dagger), and the *khandshar* (pointed and carved dagger). All these weapons are, as I have said, generally worn for show, not for use, which does not, however, interfere with the fact that they would make most formidable weapons, when wielded by stout hands. The *kaemeh* especially, which resembles very much the short Roman sword, is a splendid arm in a hand-to-hand encounter. The *rosary* (*lisbeh*) and the *signet* (*muhir*) are *sinequa nons* of every Persian of the higher classes. Documents are even today but seldom signed with the name of an individual, but have simply the seal (containing in most cases a sentence from the Koran or from some of the Persian or Arabic poets) affixed, and that gives them legal value in Persia. The *rosary* is used by Persians, as it is by the Turks, simply as a pastime. For hours they will let the beads glide listlessly through their outspread fingers.—THE COSMOPOLITAN.

Temperance Notes.

The most wonderful era of prosperity, of material, moral,

and intellectual development, of growth in country, cities, and towns, ever witnessed on the American continent, has been illustrated in Kansas during the six years since the temperance amendment to our constitution was adopted, and especially during the last two years, the period of its most energetic and complete enforcement.—Governor Martin.

The liquor-business is the chief cause of hard times. It turns away from the legitimate channels of industry and trade in this country the enormous sum of \$900,000,000 annually. This money yields no returns whatever to those who pay it out. It is appropriated from funds which ought to be used to excellent advantage.—Michigan Christian Advocate.

We have seen no more telling argument for prohibition than this. It comes from four hundred convicts in the Nashville state-prison there. Of their own motion they have signed an appeal to the people of Tennessee to favor the prohibitory amendment. Their closing words are, "Wearing the garb of disgrace, being dishonored and counted unworthy to mingle with the people of our state, we yet have the same love for our wives, the same devotion to our mothers, the same affection for our sisters, and for their sake, and for the sake of our children, we appeal to you to unite as one man and free the state from a curse created by the hands of men, discounted by the law of God."—Advance.

Not a Source of Wealth.

It has been said, and truly, that this is a great business, involving millions of dollars, but I deny that it is any source of wealth to this country. You can not separate a business from its legitimate results, and the legitimate results of the whiskey-business, trace it where you will, are poverty, suffering, degradation, disease, and death. Every dollar it brings into the coffers of its venders is reeking with blood and tears. The modicum of value it may have as a mechanical and a medicinal agency is overborne and buried out of sight under the untold burdens it binds upon humanity. Beneath its touch the strongest arm falls paralyzed and the clearest eye grows dim. Youth, strong, ambitious, glorious youth, becomes feeble and palsied as with age at the blighting touch of this monster. Keen intellects lose their god-like powers and grovel in the dust.—Hon. Joseph D. Taylor.

Home Industries.

It is clearly evident to most Americans that the advantage of this country lies in multiplying domestic industries, rather than in diminishing them. Every new industry that can be maintained, which supplies a want felt by the people, is a clear gain in every way, as employing workmen, keeping profits at home, using materials produced here, paying wages that are spent here, and tending to make us industrially independent. The very highest form of national life is that which exists with the widest possible diversification of industry. England

suffers today because she has intensified her manufactures and neglected to cultivate her soil thoroughly. Ireland and India suffer because they have agriculture without manufactures. We give our people a chance in every direction, and so we possess the highest prosperity and the most robust national life.—Textile Record.

Discovery of the Bacillus of Scarlet Fever.

Drs. W. Allen Jamieson and M. Alexander Edington, of Edinburgh, announce, in the last *British Medical Journal*, the discovery of a specific bacillus of scarlet fever. The micro-organism has been isolated, cultivated, and put through its paces generally, coming out, apparently, with a specific character.

"The rapidity of the growth of this organism—which is such that, if one inoculate a flask of broth, the diameter of which is two and one-half inches, and it be incubated, the pellicle will develop and cover it entirely over in the course of four hours—suggests an explanation of the very short period of incubation in scarlet fever."

Dr. Edington, who carried out the bacteriological part of the work, has failed to show that pure inoculations of cultivated bacilli cause scarlatina in man; also, that the supposed specific bacillus is not found in other diseases.—Medical Record.

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| " 8 | New York Express | 1:35 a. m. |
| " 12 | Atlantic Express | 6:41 a. m. |
| " 16 | Local Freight | 10:24 a. m. |
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| Train 3 | Chicago & Cin. Ex. | 5:43 a. m. |
| " 7 | Pacific Express | 8:07 p. m. |
| " 11 | Chicago, St. Louis Limited | 12:04 p. m. |
| " 15 | Accommodation | 5:50 p. m. |
| " 19 | Local Freight | 10:24 a. m. |
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